

Remarks

In view of the above amendments, the following remarks, and the amendments and remarks filed in the Amendment of June 13, 2005, reconsideration and further examination are requested.

In this supplemental Amendment, claims 7 and 18 have been further amended in order to more accurately describe the claimed invention.

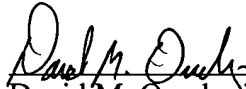
It is submitted that claims 1-24 are still patentable over Gish and Abdelnur for the reasons set forth in the Amendment filed on June 13, 2005.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, and the amendments and remarks set forth in the Amendment filed on June 13, 2005, it is submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that there are issues remaining which must be resolved before allowance of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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